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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) A surface cover comprising:

two or more leaves having a length and a width arranged to form a stack of said leaves, the stack of said leaves being sized to conformally cover an entire exposed surface, the stack of said leaves comprising:

(a) at least a first leaf with a first thickness, the first leaf forming an outer surface and comprising:

(i) an upper non-adhesive surface adapted to serve as the outer surface;

(ii) a lower surface opposing the upper non-adhesive surface; and

(iii) a leaf adhesive material applied to substantial portions of the lower surface whereby the lower surface removably adheres to the upper non-adhesive surface of a successive, adjacent leaf such that after the first leaf is removed from the stack, the upper non-adhesive surface of the adjacent leaf is exposed to become a new outer surface of the stack; and

(b) a base leaf underlying the first leaf and having a second thickness greater than the first thickness, the base leaf comprising an upper non-adhesive surface adapted to serve as the outer surface and an opposing lower surface adapted to mount the stack onto a surface to be covered, the opposing second surface comprising a mounting adhesive applied thereon, the mounting adhesive being of sufficient strength to prevent lifting of the stack during removal of individual leaves.

2. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 comprising at least one intermediate leaf disposed between said first leaf and said last leaf, the intermediate leaf having an upper non-adhesive surface and a lower adhesive surface.

3. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein said first surface of said leaves is without adhesive.

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4. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein said first surface of said leaves comprises adhesive.

5. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein said upper surface of said leaves is textured.

6. (canceled)

7. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein said leaves are comprised of flexible material.

8. (previously presented) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein the upper surface of said leaves comprises an active agent chosen from the group consisting of anti-bacterial agents, disinfectants, insect repellants, fragrances, fluid resistant agents and anti-mildew agents.

9. (previously presented) The surface covering of claim 1 further comprising a protecting sheet disposed on the lower surface of the base leaf.

10. (original) The surface covering of claim 1 further comprising peeling means for facilitating peeling of said leaves from an adjacent leaf.

11. (previously presented) The surface covering of claim 10 wherein said peeling means comprises at least one non-adhesive section disposed on the lower surface of said leaves covering no more than 30% of the entire surface area of the lower surface of said leaves, said at least one non-adhesive section being accessible by a user to peel said leaves from said stack.

12. (original) The surface covering of claim 10 wherein said peeling means comprises a tab with a first and second surface integral to each of said leaves adapted to be

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accessed by a user to peel said leaves from said stack.

13. (original) The surface covering of claim 12 wherein said second surface of said tab comprises an adhesive.

14. (original) The surface covering of claim 12 wherein said first surface of said tab comprises an adhesive.

15. (original) The surface covering of claim 12 wherein said first and second surfaces of said tab comprise an adhesive.

16. (original) The surface covering of claim 10 wherein said peeling means comprises an elongated component disposed between adjacent said leaves having a portion that is exposed to a user to facilitate peeling.

17. (previously presented) The surface covering of claim 1 wherein said stack of leaves is precut to correspond to dimensions of a specific surface to be covered for conformal application thereon to the surface, the surface comprising any one of a shelf, a wall, a table, a floor, a drawer, a crib, a countertop and a toilet seat.

18. (previously presented) A multi-layer surface covering comprising:  
a plurality of leaves arranged to form a stack of said leaves, the stack of said leaves being sized to conformally cover an entire exposed surface, the stack of said leaves comprising:

- (a) at least a first leaf with a first thickness, the first leaf forming an outer surface and comprising:
  - (i) an upper non-adhesive surface adapted to serve as the outer surface;
  - (ii) a lower surface opposing the upper non-adhesive surface; and
  - (iii) a leaf adhesive material applied to a substantial portion of the

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lower surface whereby the lower surface removably adheres to the upper non-adhesive surface of an adjacent leaf such that after the first leaf is removed from the stack, the adjacent leaf becomes a new first leaf; and

(b) a base leaf underlying the at least first leaf and having a second thickness greater than the first thickness, the base leaf comprising an upper non-adhesive surface adapted to serve as the outer surface and an opposing lower adhesive surface adapted to mount the stack onto a surface to be covered, the opposing lower surface comprising a mounting adhesive layer applied thereon, the mounting adhesive layer having greater adhesive strength than the adhesive strength of the leaf adhesive.

19. (Withdrawn) A method for covering a surface comprising:

(a) covering said surface with a covering for effecting one of protection, decoration, and cleanliness comprising leaves arranged to form a stack of said leaves having at least a first leaf and a last leaf, such that said first leaf forms an outer covering surface, each of said leaves comprising:

(i) a first surface adapted to serve as said covering surface; and  
(ii) a second surface opposing said first surface and comprising a leaf adhesive, said second surface of each of said leaves peelably adhering by said leaf adhesive to said first surface of an adjacent said leaf whereby said first leaf may be removed from the adjacent said leaf such that the adjacent said leaf becomes said first leaf;

(iii) wherein said last leaf comprises a first surface adapted to serve as said covering surface, a second surface opposing said first surface of said last leaf, and a leaf adhesive layer disposed on said second surface of said last leaf; and

(b) affixing said stack to said surface to be covered by contacting said leaf adhesive layer on the second surface of said last leaf with said surface to be covered; and  
(c) peeling off said first leaf when said first leaf is no longer desired to reveal the first surface of the adjacent said leaf.

20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 comprising at least one intermediate leaf disposed between said first leaf and said last leaf.

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21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said first surface of said leaves is without adhesive.

22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said first surface of said leaves comprises adhesive.

23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said first surface of said leaves is textured.

24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said leaf adhesive has an adhesive strength allowing a leaf to be adhered to and peelably removable from the adjacent said leaf.

25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said leaves are comprised of flexible material.

26. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said first surface of said leaves comprises an active agent.

27. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 further comprising a leaf adhesive protector disposed on said second surface of said last leaf.

28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 further comprising peeling means for facilitating peeling of said leaves from an adjacent said leaf.

29. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein said peeling means comprises at least one non-adhesive section disposed on said second surface of said leaves covering no more than 30% of the entire surface area of said second surface, said at least one non-adhesive section being able to be accessed by a user to peel said leaves from said stack.

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30. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein said peeling means comprises a tab with a first and second surface integral to each of said leaves adapted to be accessed by a user to peel said leaves from said stack.

31. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30 wherein said second surface of said tab comprises an adhesive.

32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30 wherein said first surface of said tab comprises an adhesive.

33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 30 wherein said first and second surface of said tab comprise an adhesive.

34. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein said peeling means comprises an elongated component disposed between adjacent said leaves having a portion that is exposed to a user to facilitate peeling.

35. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said covering is precut to correspond to dimensions of a specific surface to be covered.

36. (Withdrawn) A method for covering a surface comprising:

(a) covering a surface to be covered with a covering comprising a plurality of leaves arranged to form a stack of said leaves having at least a first leaf and a last leaf, such that said first leaf forms an outer covering surface, each of said leaves comprising:

- (i) a first surface adapted to serve as said covering surface;
- (ii) a second surface opposing said first surface; and
- (iii) means for removably connecting said leaves together, said second surface of each of said leaves being removably connected to said first surface of an adjacent said leaf whereby said first leaf may be removed from the adjacent said leaf such

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that the adjacent said leaf becomes said first leaf.

(iv) wherein said last leaf comprises a first surface adapted to serve as said covering surface and a second surface opposing said first surface of said last leaf, and

(v) mounting means for connecting said stack of leaves to said surface to be covered;

(b) affixing said stack of said leaves to said surface to be covered by using said mounting means to connect said last leaf to said surface to be covered; and

(c) removing said first leaf when said first leaf is no longer desired to reveal a covering surface of the adjacent said leaf.

37. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 36 wherein said second surface of said last leaf has no adhesive and said stack of leaves is placed on said surface to be covered such that the stack is non-adhesively attached to the surface to be covered.

38. (previously presented) A surface cover comprising:  
two or more leaves arranged to form a stack of said leaves, the stack of said leaves being sized to conformally cover an entire exposed surface, the stack of said leaves comprising:

(a) at least a first leaf with a first thickness, the first leaf forming an outer surface and comprising:

(i) an upper non-adhesive surface adapted to serve as the outer surface;

(ii) a lower surface opposing the upper non-adhesive surface; and

(iii) a leaf adhesive material applied to substantial portions of the lower surface whereby the lower surface removably adheres to the upper non-adhesive surface of an adjacent leaf such that after the first leaf is removed from the stack, the adjacent leaf becomes a new first leaf; and

(b) a base leaf underlying the at least first leaf and having a second thickness greater than the first thickness, the base leaf comprising an upper non-adhesive

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surface adapted to serve as the outer surface and an opposing lower non-adhesive surface.

39. (previously presented) The surface covering of claim 38 comprising at least one intermediate leaf disposed between said first leaf and said last leaf, the intermediate leaf having an upper non-adhesive surface and a lower adhesive surface.